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LETTER REGARDING PATENT TERM

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Sir:

The patent term adjustment of 97 days for the above application number appears to be incorrect under 37 C.F.R. §1.702(a)(1). Specifically, the requirements under 35 U.S.C. §371(c) were fulfilled when the Declaration was filed on December 5, 2005 (rather than on October 5, 2005, when the National Phase Application was filed). Therefore, it appears the patent term adjustment should be approximately 35 days. Per our July 17, 2007 telephone conversation with Mr. Cary Fries of the Office of Patent Legal Administration, the filing of this letter in accordance with Applicants' duty of disclosure will not be construed as an applicant delay under 37 C.F.R. 1.704.

Respectfully submitted

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